

B-3536 - B-3546
1101-1137 Battery Ave. (East side)
Baltimore, Md.
Private access

c.1855-1875

The east side of the 1100 block of Battery Ave. is improved with a number of different types of houses. 1101-1103 Battery Ave. is a pair of two story, two bay wide brick houses with gable roofs, set on high basements. The houses were built in the early 1850's and are typical of the type of small house built for low-income families in this period. 1107-1107, 1109-1111, and 1113-1115 Battery Ave. are pairs of three story, two bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, built in the period 1855 to 1865 by three different builders. Extending south from 1117-1123 Battery Ave. is a row of two story, two bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and simple brick cornices, built in the early 1870's. 1125 Battery Ave. is a three story, two bay wide brick house with gable roof, and to the south, at 1127-1131 Battery Ave. there is a group of two story, two bay wide brick gable-roofed houses, built in the late 1860's. Finally, at 1133 and 1135-1137 Battery Ave. there is a group of three story, two bay wide brick houses with gable roofs, built about 1866.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

1109-1111 Battery Ave.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

___DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

___STRUCTURE

___SITE

___OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

___PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

___BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

___IN PROCESS

___BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

___UNOCCUPIED

___WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED

___YES: UNRESTRICTED

___NO

PRESENT USE

___AGRICULTURE

___COMMERCIAL

___EDUCATIONAL

___ENTERTAINMENT

___GOVERNMENT

___INDUSTRIAL

___MILITARY

___MUSEUM

___PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

___RELIGIOUS

___SCIENTIFIC

___TRANSPORTATION

___OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___FEDERAL ___STATE ___COUNTY ___LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**☐ EXCELLENT☒ GOOD☐ FAIR☐ DETERIORATED☐ RUINS☐ UNEXPOSED**CHECK ONE**☒ UNALTERED☐ ALTERED**CHECK ONE**☒ ORIGINAL SITE☐ MOVED DATE _____**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

This pair of three story, two bay brick houses with shed roofs and wood cornice represent an enlargement of the original gable roofed houses that were built on this site in the 1850's.

The houses are three stories in height, 14' wide, and occupy lots 82' deep. Each house has a two story high, two bay deep rear addition. 1109 Battery Ave. has an extra one story high, two bay deep section and 1111 Battery has an extra two story high, one bay deep section. The houses are constructed in running bond. The shed roof is capped by a simple wooden cornice consisting of a deeply projecting crown molding set above a plain, deep frieze area. The houses share paired, double rectangular chimneys located centrally along the rear roof gable. Each house also has a hooded rear end chimney located at the east end of the rear addition.

1109 Battery Ave. has flat wood lintels and sills on all of its door and window openings. 1111 Battery Ave. has segmentally arched brick lintels with solid wood tympanums on its first and second floor openings and flat wood lintels on the third floor openings. 1111 Battery has wood sills on the first and third floor window openings and brick header sills on the second floor window openings. All of the window openings at 1109 Battery Ave. are filled with 3/1 double hung sash, the upper three lights of which are arranged vertically. The first and second floor window openings of 1111 Battery are filled with 1/1 sash; the third floor windows are filled with 6/6 sash. Each house has a modern flush door set beneath a single light transom. The transom area of 1111 Battery Ave. has been filled with a piece of stained glass. The houses sit on very high basements, the entrances being reached by seven brick steps each. Each house has a tall rectangular basement opening located beneath the first floor window. A flat-roofed alleyway runs between the two houses.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1855-56

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

William G. Fosbenner

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 1105-1107 Battery Ave.

This pair of houses was built by William G. Fosbenner, a bricklayer whose business was located on Lee St. Fosbenner sold both houses to a fellow brickmaker, a John G. Spies, who retained them as rental property for several decades.¹

¹Baltimore City Land Records, Liber ED 112, Folio 410, ED 128, Folio 482; Baltimore City Directory, 1856-57, 1858-59, 1876

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 14' x 82' each

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros. & Eccles5/79

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

1745 Circle Rd.

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

RuxtonMaryland 21204

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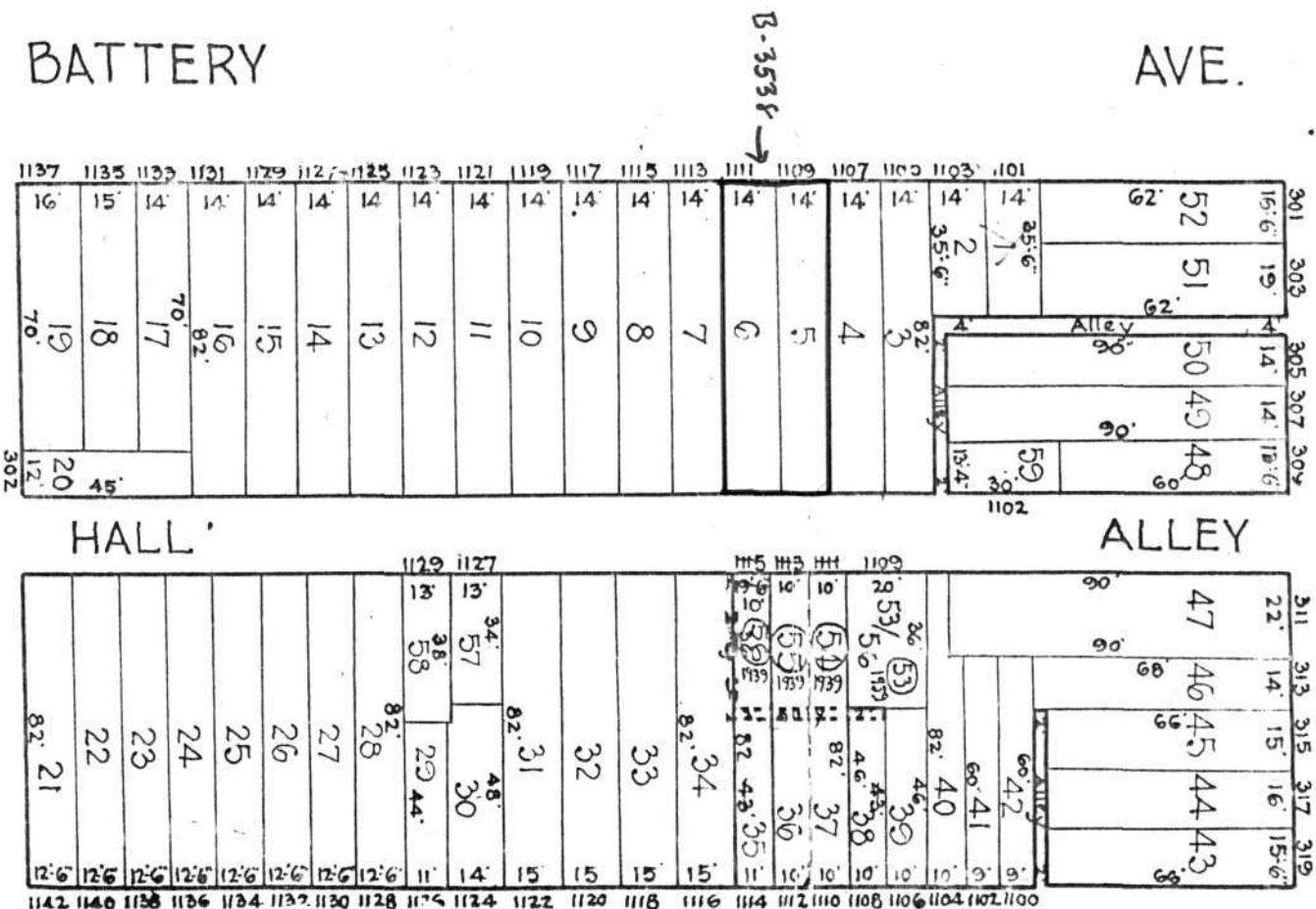
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BATTERY

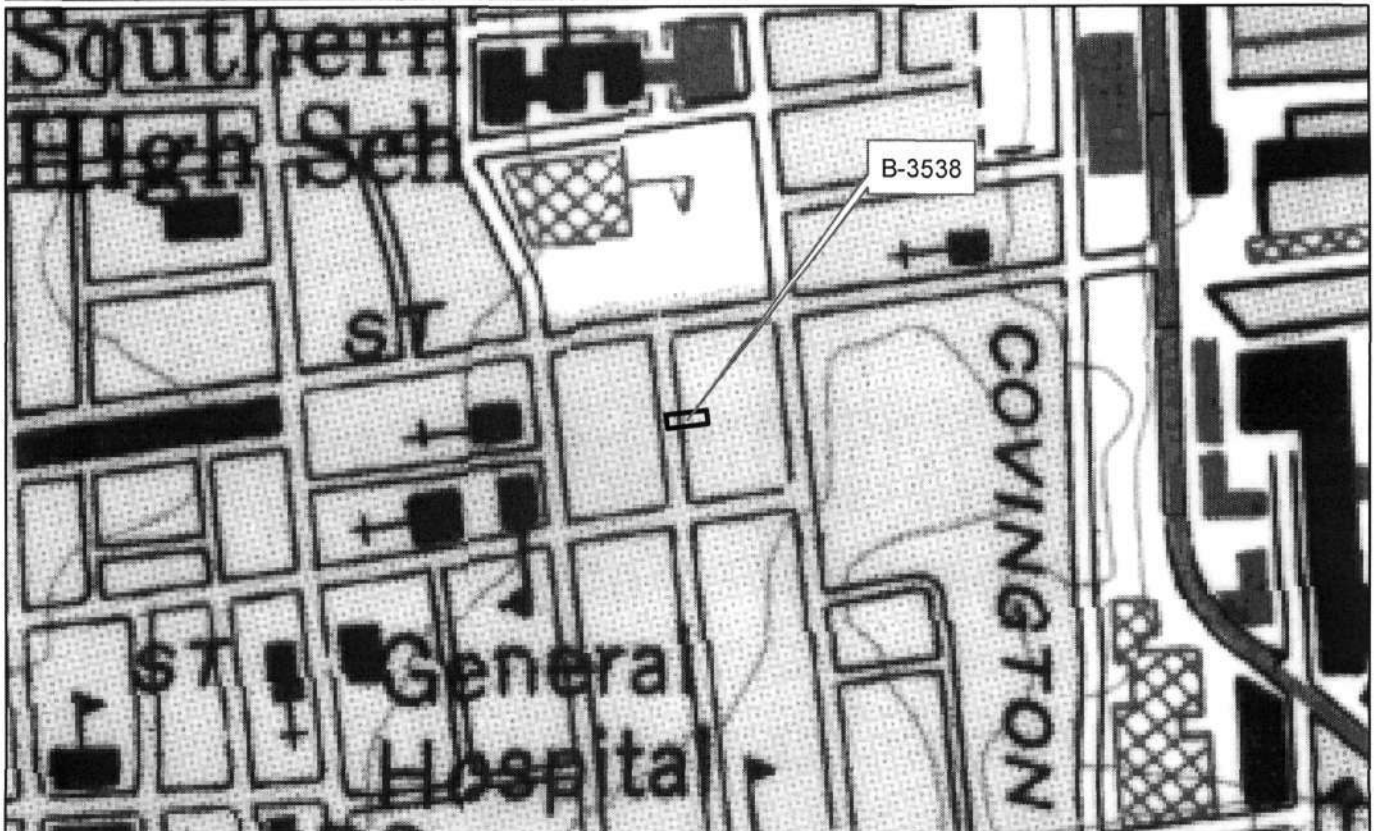
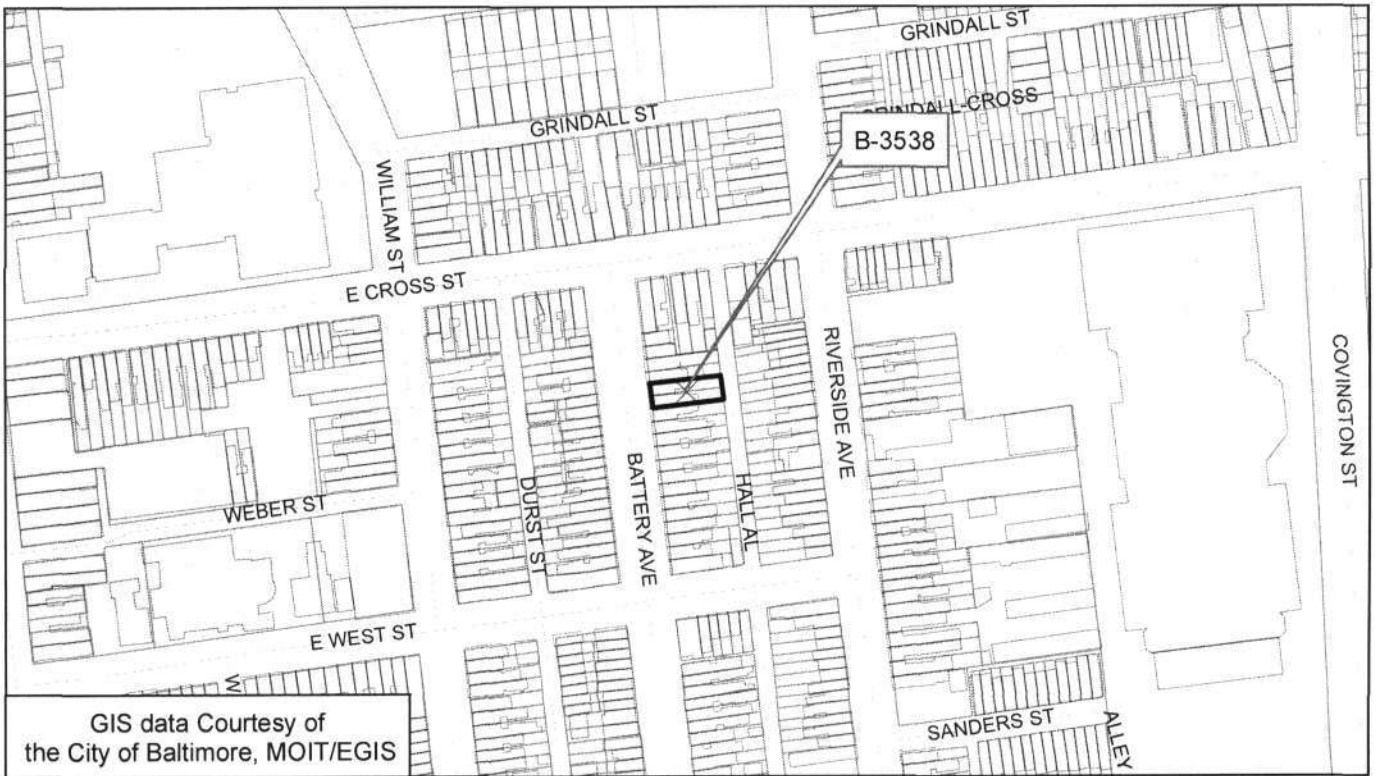
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Block 1918 Lots 005-006
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West elevation